

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: ITO, Suguru et al.

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RUBBER, RUBBER COMPOSITION, AND CROSSLINKED OBJECT For:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 23, 2004

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 25, 2003 for two months from November 25, 2003, to January 25, 2004.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$420.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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